

ORCA NEWS

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Orcas Ready to Tame Blue Waves



Great talent in all age groups is an Orca characteristic this year.



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Team Presidents

Leslie Bagby

Laura Garner

Hope you all had a good time at the Bingo Night - great food prizes, and company. There's no better place to be on a hot June night in Austin than the Westover Club Gym, playing bingo with your pals. Big thanks to Cynthia and Steven Sandall for organizing such a fun evening.

Also, thanks to all the volunteers who have been instrumental in running our swim meets this season. It takes over 75 volunteers to have a swim meet. If it weren't for all of you, it simply wouldn't be possible for our kids to have this kind of swimming experience. There's also a lot of volunteering going on outside the meets - setup for the meets and for the bingo, concessions preparations, bringing food for the kids and helping with spirit activities on Fridays.

A special word of thanks goes out to our Merchandise Team who has kept us looking great all year.

Please sign up to bring snacks on Fridays if you haven't already done so this season. The kids really enjoy it and it's also very good time for parents. The end of the season is drawing near, so why not have a little summer fun?

See you at the Balcones Woods meet this Saturday and at the practice at UT Swim Center this Sunday June 22. Stay tuned to our website for more updates on the Championship Meet June 28 and our end of season Banquet on June 29. If you plan to attend the banquet, please pay for your family's for no later than Monday June 23.

Go Orcas!

Laura and Leslie



Having fun and building friendships makes being a Orca a great experience. (You might also learn a few card tricks.)



Must be summer interns from the Texas Academy of Back Art (?)



Coach's Corner

Sandy Neilson-Bell

We've got only a week and a half left in our Orca season! Let's make the most of it, shall we? Balcones should be an exciting meet for us. They always present us with a wonderful challenge!

When, Sunday the 22nd, we've got our practice session at UT (please see practice times below and refer to the more detailed email I sent out). This is not a "required" practice session but I highly recommend it for those swimmers who have not competed at the swim center before. (Especially the 10 & unders.)

Then it's time to gear up for the last week prior to Champs. Make it fun. Keep it fun. Swim fast and smile a lot. See you at the pool!

Coach Sandy

Prep for Champs Sunday at the UT Swim Center

Not a required "practice" but *strongly* recommended for all those who have not swum at the UT Swim Center before.

The UT Swim Center is located on the northwest corner of Red River and Martin Luther King Blvd. Weekend parking around the building or in the lot east of the Swim Center should not be difficult. Pool entrance is on the I-35 side of the building. Enter downstairs and meet in the downstairs lobby. Parents will need to watch from upstairs grandstand.

Here's how Orca time at UT is divided:

11:45 - 12:20 8 & under Girls & Boys

(Meet in downstairs lobby)

12:10 - 12:45 9-10 Girls & Boys

(Meet on the deck)

12:30 - 1:30 11 & older Girls & Boys

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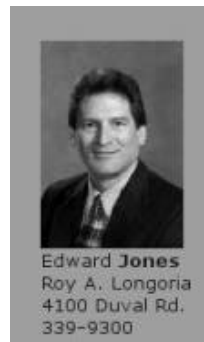
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Once again, the Ready Table -in the shade- gets lots of use.

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